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TO : CIA Task Force
 FROM : The Review Staff, Walter Elder
 SUBJECT : SSC/HSC Request
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The attached SSC letter requests specific information about the Warren Commission report.

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January 9, 1976

REVIEW STAFF

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Mr. Walter Elder
Review Staff
Central Intelligence Agency
Langley, Virginia

Dear Walt:

In the course of its review of CIA files on President Kennedy's assassination, the staff noted that Item 179 of the Mexico City chronology contained the following reference to DIR 86054 of 12/1/63:

Headquarters received a report that on day of assassination, Cubana aircraft delayed its departure Mexico City 5 hours, 1700-2200 awaiting important passenger who arrived Mexico City airport in private twin motor aircraft at 2130. Passenger transferred directly to Cubana plane without going through customs or immigration. Traveled in pilots cabin to Habana. Above from (code used) diplomat who passenger on same plane to Habana. Request you attempt identify and determine reason unusual actions at airport.

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The staff has not been able to determine that an investigation of this claim was conducted. Therefore, we would like to have the following questions answered in connection with this information.

1. What persons were involved in the preparation of DIR 86054?
2. Who was the diplomat referred to in the message? How did he transmit the information to CIA? Furnish copies of all messages, memoranda or other documents which evidence transmittal of the information to CIA.
3. Was there any response or followup to DIR 86054? Furnish copies of all responses.

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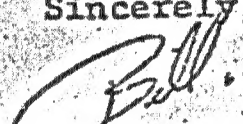
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4. If there was no response or followup, explain why, and what procedures were in effect at that time to ensure followup on outgoing messages.
5. What other information does CIA have relating to this message or to the information it contains?
6. We have been informed that CIA in Mexico City obtained manifests for flights through that city. Please furnish the manifests for this flight.

Sincerely,



William B. Bader

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with LA on this one.
They should handle
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Pertinent to SSC letter of January 9, 1976, CI Staff has the following comments to make:

Item 1 - The persons involved in the preparation of DIR 86054 appear on the outgoing message.

Item 2 - As close as we can determine the diplomat referred to was [REDACTED] How he transmitted the information to CIA is not reflected in the Oswald files. Therefore we cannot provide or furnish copies of all messages, memoranda, or other documents which evidence transmittal of the information to CIA.

Item 3 - We cannot find in the Oswald 201 any response or followup to DIR 86054.

Item 4 - Defer to LA Division for response.

Item 5 - CI Staff cannot competently reply to the question raised. We can only limit our response to what is contained in the Oswald 201.

Item 6 - Defer to LA Division.